

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application. Claims 1-16 are pending. No claims have been amended or added. Claims 1-5 have been withdrawn without prejudice. Claims 6-16 remain pending. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect claims 6-16 without traverse.


CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request allowance of the pending claims.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3), Applicants hereby request and authorize the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to (1) treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for extension of time as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time and (2) charge all required fees, including extension of time fees and fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17, to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

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